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USSR Envoy Assails Shamir Stand on Conference
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[Text] Abu Dhabi, 1 Feb (MENA)—Soviet Ambassador to Cairo Gennadiy Kirillovich Zhuravlev has attacked Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhaq Shamir's stand on the international peace conference, describing it as intransigent and noting that both Egypt and Jordan have explicitly declared their rejection of the autonomy for which Shamir is calling.

The Soviet ambassador has affirmed that President Husni Mubarak's initiative seeks to resolve the Palestinian issue within the framework of an international conference, a step the Soviet Union supports.

In a statement to the Abu Dhabi-based newspaper AL-ITTIHAD, published today, the Soviet diplomat said that his country has always backed proposals for a peaceful settlement in the Middle East. He noted that current events in the occupied Arab territories necessitate a speedy, peaceful settlement in the region.

Salih, Lufti Meet Visiting Albanian Delegation
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[Text] Cairo, 31 Jan (MENA)—The workers of Egypt and Albania have declared their full support for the struggle of the Palestinian people under the leadership of the PLO, their sole legitimate representative.

In a joint communique issued today at the end of a visit by an Albanian trade union delegation led by Sotir Kocallari, the two countries' workers called on Iraq and Iran to immediately halt the war between them and solve their problems by peaceful means.

The communique, which was signed on behalf of Egypt by Ahmad Ahmad al-'Amani, chairman of the General Federation of Labor Unions, underlined the two parties' solidarity with the Arab peoples that are struggling in defense of freedom and independence. The two parties condemned all racist practices by the racist regime in South Africa and declared their support for the Namibia people's struggle.

The communique noted that the two parties agreed to bolster and strengthen the cordial relations between them, to cooperate in fields of mutual interest, and to exchange expertise, information, delegations, and visits.

The Albanian delegation, which left for Athens today, arrived in Cairo on 21 January. This is the first visit to Egypt by an Albanian trade union delegation in 20 years. During the visit, the delegation met with Consultative Council Speaker Dr 'Ali Lutfi and 'Asim 'Abd al-Haq

Salih, minister of manpower and training. It also had a series of meetings with leaders of the General Federation of Labor Unions and visited a number of workers' establishments.

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Al-Qadhdhafi Addresses Indian Conference
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[Address by leader Mu'ammarr al-Qadhdhafi to the "first international conference of the American Indian nation" in Tripoli on 30 January—live]

[Text] In the name of God. It is a great honor for this land, which is free from imperialist hegemony, to hold the first international conference of the American Indian nation. It is being held to liberate that nation. This moment stresses effectively, and not just through words, the unity of the people who are fighting for freedom. It stresses that freedom is a common cause for all the masses. We would also like to point out now that the so-called free world is merely a myth, a lie, and a perfidy.

The representatives of the American Indian nation represent all Indian tribes; and behind them, the black nation. They have gathered here in order to speak out about their sacred and just cause. The free world is being controlled by the tyrant forces of imperialism. The world should witness that this scene here is a phenomenon that cannot be ignored, a phenomenon against the repression that is being carried out by imperialism, controlling the so-called free world. It is proof of the atrocities being carried out against humans in their native land and birthplaces.

What the American Indian nation is subjected to and what it has suffered in the past is a fact humanity should be ashamed of—Yankee contemporary imperialist leaders' barbarism.

The ugly racial segregation, under which blacks are living in the north of the continent, which is the stronghold of Yankee imperialism, is also evidence of the Yankees' decadence and barbarism, and shows that they are real enemies of humanity, enemies of freedom, and enemies of peace.

At this hour and before this gathering of the American Indian nation, I urge the world conscience to wake up and stand by, with all effectiveness, this torn, tortured, persecuted American Indian nation. I urge it also to stand by another nation that shares the same fate—the nation of blacks in North America who are being subjected to racial segregation, not for a sin they committed, but because Allah created them with a black color, and because the Yankee invaders hunted and captured their fathers and forefathers in their original homeland, the African Continent, and brought them like animals to North America where they used them as slaves. Their

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fathers and forefathers were brought like sheep by the Yankee invaders, and now their grandchildren are being tortured and persecuted. World conscience must wake up to condemn the U.S. Yankees in North America, those who have tortured and torn nations.

They are also now committing massacres against the Palestinians in their homeland and expelling them from their land. They drop their bombs and spread destruction over the Lebanese and Syrian people for their support for the Palestinian people and for embracing Palestinian refugees fleeing the racist-Zionist massacres, fleeing the knife of the Americans, the Yankees, the enemies of mankind.

The Yankees have deservedly won mankind's enmity, hatred, and disdain. They are the natural allies of apartheid in South Africa and of Zionism in Palestine. They are the ones who mistreated the American Indian nation and who work for its annihilation and dispersion. They continue these crimes nonstop. They tried to massacre one of the peoples of Southeast Asia, the Vietnamese. But they failed because these people resisted and forced them to return defeated, after having annihilated several million Vietnamese.

The Yankees continue practicing this repugnant method out of their ambition to control the world and become gods on earth. I regret very much having to confirm to the world, through the first international conference of the American Indian nation for liberation, that it is impossible to reach an understanding with the Yankees amicably; it is impossible for a common language to exist between us and them. We are the ones who struggle for freedom and who want to live in peace. After becoming an imperialist force, it is natural for this force to continue its policy of expansion and oppression of others, because this is the only method that suits imperialism. Yankee expansionism does not recognize the rights of others; it recognizes only its right to be in control and dominate. Freedom in the eyes of the Yankees in North America, and in the eyes of their allies, the old neocolonialists and those who follow them, like those who control the British island, means that they alone have freedom to kill others. It means freedom for their trade, to invade world markets, and for all places in the world to become consumer markets for their cheap and base products, which do not stave off hunger or make one fat.

We are not doing the Yankees an injustice. They in fact represent a historical reality and a phenomenon which has been proved by history. Before them was Nazism, which intended to transform the world into a vital sphere, and thus it ignored the right of others to live and to exist. This land, on which your first conference is being held, was reached by the Nazi vital sphere. The Nazis fought on it with the ambition of annexing it to their vital sphere beyond the sea. Before them history has known another repulsive phenomenon, fascism, which fought on this land, killed its people, expelled them, and unjustly proclaimed its annexation to Rome.

The phenomenon of barbarism and savage expansion, and the removal of others from their lands, is a proven fact in the history of humanity. When barbarism swept Europe from the north and destroyed it, the Vandal tribes were forced to invade the north of Africa and control it, leaving Europe for the savages who came from the north.

Now, regrettably, we are facing a natural historical phenomenon—imperialism. And just as Hulagu, Hitler, Mussolini, and (Doker) led these barbaric campaigns throughout the world and unjustly swept across it, the Yankees from North America are leading this new barbaric campaign during the contemporary history of humanity. Just as the peoples invaded by those barbarous campaigns in the past were unable to find a common understanding with those expansionists by peaceful means, we are unable now to find a peaceful means for common understanding with the expansionist Yankees.

Regrettably, we have to announce that imperialism's mischief cannot be avoided except by resistance and the use of force. We have found the way to resist it. The American Indian nation first has the right to avenge its history, and avenge its forefathers and fathers, who were annihilated at the Yankees' hands in the same manner as a savage animal is annihilated at the hands of hunger. Furthermore, this fragmented nation has the right to live united and peacefully on its land, which used to be its property before the invasion of the white Yankees to the American Continent. It was very fortunate that the American Indians' survival instinct triumphed over the Yankees' annihilation instinct, when they fled to the southern continent, to the central continent, and to Canada, in order to preserve the existence of this nation. We thank God that thousands of millions of American Indians are still alive.

The United States spends huge amounts of money each year to transport world Jewry to Palestine so that they may form for it a new American state in the Middle East, as well as a permanent base there. How can the United States do such a thing and say that the Jews—who, it claims, are dispersed everywhere—have the right to return to Palestine although the latter is not their land? It says, moreover, that all Jews, wherever they are, must be gathered on one land—this is what Britain did in 1948 when Palestine was under its mandate—and then denies such rights to the American Indian nation, preventing it from regrouping, not allowing it to return to its native homeland. We are now going through the stage of self-determination: The American Indian nation should decide its own fate by returning to its own native homeland in North America.

We have a base in North America—about 6 million American Indians. The American Indians have to recover their ancestors' land in conformity with the principle of self-determination, which is decided by the United Nations. The struggle should start now to set up a state for American Indians in North America. The

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southern states of the United States of America constitute the land of the American Indians' ancestors. A state for American Indians should be set up in California, Chicago, Texas, and Mexico. This is the right to self-determination. This is the right for the return of a nation which was forced to emigrate.

American Indians should unite along this path in history and destiny with the nation of the black Americans, who also have the right to establish their state on the North American land. North America should be divided, at the minimum, between three nations. Three states should arise on it: the American Indian nation, the black American nation, and the remaining white population, who should have returned to Europe and left the American Continent to the original inhabitants. [audience applauds, chants slogans]

We believe in the right to self-determination. It is the right of American Indians to raise their case at the UN General Assembly and to all international institutions, in order to claim their right to self-determination.

It is also the right of black Americans to approach the United Nations with a demand for self-determination. It is the right of all oppressed groups in the United States to demand self-determination. It is in the interest of world peace and freedom and in the interest of mankind's survival that imperialist Yankee domination of earth should end because its existence constitutes a catastrophic danger to peace, freedom, and mankind's survival.

The American Indians, blacks, and others will provide a historic service to mankind and the cause of freedom and peace if they contribute to the weakening and ending of Yankee imperialism in North America. All people will stand by you, and mankind will breathe a sigh of relief when they feel that the grave threat of imperialism over the other continents has declined as a result of the preoccupation and weakness within the U.S. continent [as heard], as a result of the American Indian nation's demanding the right to self-determination and the establishment of a state for themselves in the southern part of the United States, and as a result of black Americans' demand for a state for themselves in the United States.

In order to achieve this, there should be an alliance with liberation movements in South America, because the fate of the South American peoples and that of the American Indian nation and the black nation in North America is one. On this the glorious struggle of the American Indian nation should be based. It should establish a natural alliance with its natural allies, with the peoples struggling for freedom, with the peoples threatened by U.S. imperialism, with the peoples of South America who are controlled by the fascism imposed by U.S. Yankee imperialism, and with the black nation suffering from racial discrimination in North America. The Palestinian people, too, would be a natural

ally for the struggle of the American Indians, the blacks, and the peoples of South and Central America who consider U.S. Yankee imperialism a common enemy.

The Arab nation, like you, will be a victim of Yankee imperialist expansion. The imperialist expansionist policy aims at annihilating the Arab nation as they annihilated the American Indian nation. What they did to you, they intend to do to us: a policy of annihilation, genocide, and usurping the land. This is not a myth. This is a historical fact. The Yankees have no conscience because of the nature of their aggressive structure. They distributed blankets infested with smallpox microbes among the American Indians in order to annihilate them collectively. They treated them as if they were animals in a jungle. They cut down the trees and burned the forests in order to make the American Indians leave their land. This is the secret of their dispersement everywhere on the U.S. continent.

Libya is the international haven for combatting imperialism, Zionism, racism, fascism, and reaction. The forces fighting this dirty alliance headed by imperialism have chosen Libya as their haven. This was decided on 1 May 1981, when more than 100 popular revolutionary progressive movements and governments formed this international leadership of liberation movements and revolutionary countries, which struggle against imperialism, racism, Zionism, fascism, and reaction. They formed a political secretariat in this international haven of Libya. The number of liberation movements and progressive countries which have joined the international haven has since increased. It now includes more than 300 members; more than 300 liberation movements and progressive countries are members of this haven.

The founding conference was held in 1981 and the second conference was held in 1986. Other regional conferences were held in various parts of the world; some were for movements in the Pacific Ocean, African movements, Asian movements, and American movements, in addition to the general conference that included all of these groups. Consequently, the world popular front was created, and all liberation movements around the world became members of this center, and all the progressive states that were liberated from the control of imperialism, fascism, racism, and reaction became members. The American Indian nation, with all its institutions, must take the front seat, along with the nation of blacks in the United States.

Today is a historical day in the lives of the American Indian nation, in the lives of world liberation movements, and in the history of humanity, which aspires toward peace, freedom, and survival.

When the issues, institutions, and organizations of the American Indian nation meet on Libyan soil at the international center, it is not to listen to my speech or to converse with the Libyans; it is to converse among yourselves, to listen to yourselves, because it is hard for

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you to find a free land that will allow this meeting, providing you with a historic opportunity to unite your forces in the confrontation with the Yankees and to be determined in deciding your destiny.

All progressive countries are threatened by U.S. imperialism. Therefore, they fear hosting such an international conference. Libya is also threatened by imperialism, but the difference is that Libya is a Jamahiriya that has no government that can be under U.S. control or that is subject to change; there is only the people who rule it by themselves. It is the state of the masses, where the people govern themselves through the people's congresses and the people's committees. It is the foundation stone in the era of the masses, and consequently it is the right of masses the world over to seek refuge in the land of the masses, the land of the Libyan Jamahiriya. [chants]

It is the masses' right to come to the masses' land and to the masses state, which is the Libyan Jamahiriya, to determine their destiny, to meet, to organize their ranks, and to begin the battle. This might give responsibilities to Libya, but the Libyan people, when they took power, declared the Jamahiriya. Congresses and committees were then set up everywhere, and they decided in a historic document that its land is open to all combatants for freedom, that it shoulders the consequences of this stand, and that it will fight for freedom everywhere in the world, because the freedom issue is indivisible.

On the other hand, the Libyan people paid the price of this historic commitment before the other people of the world, for the liberation movements and the freedom fighters. U.S. imperialists committed aggression against it with scores of aircraft, raiding streets, houses, killing women, men, and children. It raided hospitals, schools, and the Libyan people paid the price. Consequently, after paying that price, it cannot hesitate to get what it paid for, which is victory for freedom and the defeat of imperialism, the common enemy of us all.

Thus, the Libyan people are practicing their duty in the fight by hosting the first international congress of American Indians; to face up to imperialism, determine their destiny, and try to establish a state, an independent nation in North America, in conformity with the right of self-determination. If this is not achieved peacefully, it will have to be achieved by force, and by a long and tenacious fight.

By our determination and our tangible and concrete action, we might contribute to changing the imperialist U.S. Yankee mentality; to make them understand their barbarous policy of extermination, invasion, and aggression; of force, arms, and blood; of siege, boycott, and onslaught; of arrogance, hegemony, and haughtiness; of looking down on mankind and people and their right to have a peaceful and worthy life on earth. It might understand that their savage and barbarous style will not achieve its goals. It will not get what it aims for. It brought utter defeat on itself when it practiced this style

in Vietnam. It did not achieve what it wanted in Vietnam, such as making Vietnam a region of U.S. influence. Now it wants to subdue the free Nicaraguan people, and to force it to submit to its orders and obey them.

We must all stand on the side of the resisting and courageous Nicaraguan people to defeat imperialism.

We should not leave the brave people of Nicaragua alone. We should not leave them to fall. The imperialist American policy of aggression must fall through the victory of the people of Nicaragua over the insolent arrogant challenge of the imperialist Yankees. The victory of the Nicaraguan people in that battle is a victory and example for all peoples which are exposed, and will be exposed, to the same fate. We have to insist on victory of the Nicaraguan people, and on Cuba remaining free and independent, despite the American Yankees.

We also have to struggle for the restoration of a position which has fallen—Grenada—so that it will return as a free independent position. We have to ally ourselves with the force of peace, socialism, and progress everywhere in the world, forces who are struggling with us against imperialism, and with whom we are united with joint aims of peace, progress, and ending imperialism and exploitation.

Imperialism must be besieged. The peoples are able to besiege it, as they besieged and forced the collapse of Nazism and fascism. The forces of socialism and liberation in the world are a strong and solid link in the chain of international siege. These links should be formed of our people and our liberation movements in order to besiege the Yankee American imperialism and the hated racism. This is not impossible. Those who fight for freedom, who have lost their land, and who are not afraid to lose anything, are more able to continue the struggle than those who have usurped this land and established institutions on it, and who are afraid that they might be destroyed. When the imperialists fight, they always look behind their backs because they are afraid for their sensitive institutions, their skyscrapers, their nuclear power stations, their electronic industrial complexes, their huge critical industries, and for their markets, to whom they export their miserable products. As for us, the people who lost their lands—and they are trying to make us lose our lives and existence—when we fight we do not look back, because we are not afraid of anything behind us. Therefore, we are more courageous in battle and are able to continue the battle, however long. Therefore, we will be victorious.

March forward; the struggle continues.

Reaction to VOA Commentary Reported

JANA Editor Rebuts Comments

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[Text] Voice of America, which expresses the official views of the U.S. Administration, said in a commentary that U.S.-Egyptian views coincided on what it called